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## VIA ECF

December 23, 2015

Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer United States District Judge Southern District of New York Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse 40 Foley Square, Room 2201 New York, NY 10007

Re: Ruzhinskaya v. HealthPort Technologies, LLC, No. 1:14-cv-02921 (PAE) (SDNY)

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

Pursuant to the Court's December 18, 2015 Order (Dkt. #167), the parties have conferred regarding a schedule for discovery. Although the parties were able to agree upon the deadline for fact discovery, they were unable to reach agreement with respect to expert discovery. The parties' respective positions are set forth below.

## **Plaintiff's Position**

In order to achieve the completion of all discovery by the end of March, as provided in the Order, the plaintiff's position is that the parties should exchange expert designations and reports on the same day. Specifically, the plaintiff proposes the following deadlines:

Fact Discovery Complete: March 4, 2016 Both Parties' Expert Designations and Reports Due: March 18, 2016 Both Parties' Expert Depositions Complete: March 31, 2016

## **Defendant's Position**

In order to complete fact discovery and accomplish expert discovery in the staggered manner that was done previously and was contemplated in the prior Scheduling Order, the parties need one additional month to complete discovery. Defendant therefore respectfully requests that discovery close at the end of April, and that the conference be set in May. Specifically, the defendant proposes the following deadlines:

Fact Discovery Complete: March 4, 2016 Plaintiff's Expert Designations and Reports Due: March 18, 2016 Plaintiff's Expert Depositions Complete: March 31, 2016 Defendant's Expert Designations and Reports Due: April 14, 2016 Defendant's Expert Depositions Complete: April 29, 2016



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The parties also briefly discussed the issue of class notice and will endeavor to provide the Court with a joint notice plan by the end of January.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: All counsel of record (via ECF).

/s/

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